HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 34 By Odom

A RESOLUTION to honor Penny Tyler for her selection to the 2002 Phi Theta Kappa All-Tennessee Academic Team.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who through their natural aptitude and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Penny Tyler is one such individual whose academic achievements speak volumes about her natural talents; and

WHEREAS, Penny is a member of the acclaimed organization Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society founded in 1918 to recognize and honor academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, With a select 150,000 active members and alumni, the group promotes the noble ideals of fellowship, leadership, scholarship, and service; and

WHEREAS, After a rigorous selection process, the Tennessee Region Chapters of Phi Theta Kappa have named the 2002 All-Tennessee Academic Team; and

WHEREAS, Through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Penny Tyler has been named to Phi Theta Kappa's All-Tennessee Academic Team; she has achieved extraordinary academic

success, made significant contributions to Nashville State Technical Community College, and thus has joined the ranks of Tennessee's and our nation's most elite students; and

WHEREAS, A native of Columbus, Indiana, Penny is diligently working towards an Associate's Degree in Visual Communication and Graphic Design, has made the Dean's List every semester she has been enrolled at Nashville State Technical Community College, holds multiple offices in her chapter and for the Tennessee Region of Phi Theta Kappa, and maintains a grade point average of 3.9, well above the 3.5 grade point average that is a prerequisite for Phi Theta Kappa membership; and

WHEREAS, Penny has received many other academic awards, including the 2002 Phi
Theta Kappa Distinguished Regional Officer Award and the Tennessee Region Members
Choice Visual Arts Award; and

WHEREAS, Penny's dedication to her work is especially admirable considering that she is also a full-time mother; after she receives her Associate's Degree, she plans to continue her academic excellence, in pursuit of her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that we pause to honor and congratulate this exemplary student on her many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor Penny Tyler for her selection to the Phi Theta Kappa 2002 All-Tennessee Academic Team and extend to her our best wishes for her continued success in what is sure to be a bright future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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